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SUBJ: THAI MEDIA REACTION-- PLANE DEAL

ICA FOR EA, PGM/RC, VOA/PF, PGM/P, PGM/RR

1. THE BANGKOK POST MAY 18 EDITORIALY WELCOMES THE U.S. SENATE  
APPROVAL OF PRESIDENT CARTER'S SALE OF JET AIRCRAFT TO MIDEASTERN  
COUNTRIES.

2. PRESIDENT CARTER, EDIT OBSERVES, IS FOLLOWING THE NIXON AND  
FORD POLICY THAT THE "UNITED STATES CAN UPHOLD ITS COMMITMENT  
TO ISRAEL AND AT THE SAME TIME ENTER INTO A PARTNERSHIP WITH  
ISRAEL'S MORE MODERATE NEIGHBORS.

3. "CERTAINLY THE DECISION TO SELL PLANES TO THE SAUDIS AND TO  
CAIRO SHOULD MEAN THAT AMERICA CAN GAIN ENHANCED CREDIBILITY IN  
RIYADH AND IN CAIRO, BUT IN SO DOING IT SEEMS POSSIBLE THAT CARTER  
MAY WISH TO USE THE INFLUENCE AND LEVERAGE THUS GAINED TO KEEP  
PRESSING THE ARAB STATES TO GIVE ISRAEL THE RECOGNITION AND  
SECURITY GUARANTEES IT NEEDS TO WITHDRAW FROM OCCUPIED ARAB  
TERRITORY," EDIT SAYS.  
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